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PRESS

Press release issued: U.S. EPA grants three Southern California tribes approval to implement water, air programs. WTR/AIR, Nahal Mogharabi

Southern California News Group (Stephen Scauzillo) [Received 4/12]—CLOSED—Reporter had follow up questions on today's tribal TAS press release. Sent responses. SoCal. AIR/WTR, Nahal Mogharabi.

LA Times (Tony Barboza) [Received 4/10]—CLOSED—Reporter sent a list of questions regarding Exide. Reporter is asking about EPA's involvement, why EPA hasn't considered the site for and NPL and what upcoming assistance we plan on providing DTSC for addressing lead in the area. Sent responses. SoCal. SFUND/LND, Nahal Mogharabi.

Vice News (Belle Cushing) [Received 4/4]—OPEN—Producer is looking to get some information on U.S.- Mexico Border Water Infrastructure Program and would like to speak with someone on background to hear about ongoing projects and funding. Waiting for OPA/HQ approval. SoCal. WTR/BDR, Nahal Mogharabi.

KQED Forum (Dan Zoll) [received 4/12] – CLOSED – Editor asked for EPA to take part in their live call-in program, discussing Hunters Point cleanup and soil sampling. Declined request and offered to send information if he had specific questions. SFD, NorCal, Michele Huitric

KQED (Ted Goldberg) [received 4/12] – CLOSED – Reporter asked for EPA's statement on the recent disclosure of the agency's report showing more fraudulent soil testing data at Hunters Point. Provided previously-cleared written response. SFD, NorCal, Michele Huitric

KPIX/CBS (Katie Nielsen) – CLOSED – Reporter had reached out to Superfund yesterday for information on soil testing at Hunters Point. Followed up with reporter and asked for her questions, have not yet heard back, story ran last night. SFD, NorCal, Michele Huitric

SF Weekly (Ida Mojadad) [received 4/11] – OPEN – Reporter would like to speak with EPA about soil sampling at Hunters Point Naval Shipyard. Asked reporter to send me her questions, have not yet heard back. SFD, NorCal, Michele Huitric

CurbedSF (Chris Roberts) [Received 4/6] – OPEN – Reporter has questions about Bayview Hunters Point site and recent results regarding buildings on Parcel A. Provided a written response, reporter now has follow-up questions. Working with program on response. SFD. NorCal. Michele Huitric

Inside EPA (Suzanne Yohannan) [Received 4/10] – OPEN – Producer has questions regarding press release that Public Employees for Environmental Responsibility (PEER) issued about EPA's review of soil samples at Hunters Point Naval Shipyard. Working with program on response. DDL: 4/13. SFD, NorCal, Michele Huitric

SF Chronicle (Caille Millner) [received 4/11] – OPEN – Editorial writer is working on a piece about Hunters Point and EPA's review of soil samples. Working with program on written response. DDL: 4/13. SFD, NorCal, Michele Huitric

HuffPost (Chris D'Angelo) [Received 4/11] – OPEN – Reporter interested in Northeast Church Rock Mine site, reached out to reporter who is on deadline for separate story, waiting to hear back. SFD, Navajo, Margot Perez-Sullivan

Associated Press (Felicia Fonseca) [Received 4/12] -OPEN - Reporter watching congressional hearing on NGS. The power plant's hired a firm, Lazard, to look for a new owner. The written statement stated EPA rules related to NGS under "Alternative B" allow it to operate the entire 2,250 megawatts of power generation over the long term without the need for certain capital costs (i.e. emissions controls). However, Lazard's statement claims the provision is not available to the current owners of NGS. Reporter seeks explanation. Sent proposed response to HQ, waiting on approval AIR, Navajo/AZ, Margot Perez-Sullivan

WEB & SOCIAL MEDIA

Social Media:

Brownfields -- Posted to our <u>Twitter</u> and <u>Facebook</u> pages about a brownfields project in Phoenix, Arizona, and linked to the Center for Creative Land Recycling's video, Brownfields to Healthfields.

Drinking Water Infrastructure Funding – Posted to our <u>Twitter</u> and <u>Facebook</u> pages about the new drinking water infrastructure funding and linked to our Building the Capacity of Drinking Water Systems page.

Web Updates:

Tribal Drinking Water Funds - Published our new Region 9 Drinking Water Tribal Set-Aside Program page.

9online Updates:

News this Week – Highlighted a newly published <u>Career Moves</u>, recent changes to <u>Quick Links</u>, Financial Literacy Month webinars and organ donation.

CONGRESSIONAL & INTERGOVERNMENTAL

Senate Confirms Andrew Wheeler as EPA Deputy Administrator: The Senate this afternoon confirmed former Senate aide and energy lobbyist Andrew Wheeler to become EPA deputy administrator. The vote was 53-45. – *E&E News PM*

Sen. Dianne Feinstein (D-CA): Brent Maier coordinated and participated in a conference call today with Kristina Solberg in the Senator's Fresno Office who was interested in a briefing on the Clear Creek Management Area (CCMA) with our Superfund staff/managers. Brent previously shared information we had shared with Sen. Kamala Harris and Rep. Jimmy Panetta's office on CCMA. Participants included Superfund's Lynn Keller, Dan Stralka, Dana Barton and Office of Regional Counsel's Sara Goldsmith and Lewis Maldonado. Brent followed up the call by sharing contact information for DTSC's Mohsen Nazemi for Kristina Solberg to reach out to discuss their views on CCMA.

Rep. Scott Peters (D-CA-52): Brent Maier shared some follow up information with staffers Howard Ou and Anais Borja regarding a question they had for San Diego and yesterday's ENERGY STAR announcement and what efforts San Diego could do to climb in the rankings. HQ provided information passed on to staff that let them know that 164 buildings in the San Diego metropolitan area earned EPA's ENERGY STAR in 2017, the city ranked in 13th place--its highest ranking to

date. In order for San Diego to continue to climb in the rankings, more San Diego-area buildings would have to earn certification each year. We also shared a HQ contact that San Diego can reach out to for the City of San Diego to reach out to that can help them explore some options.

Congressional Outreach on EPA Granting Southern California Tribes Approval to Implement Water, Air Programs: Brent Maier shared with Congressional staff in the offices of Senators Dianne Feinstein and Kamala Harris and Representatives Raul Ruiz and Duncan Hunter Jr. today press release announcing that EPA has recently approved three Southern California Tribes applications to implement certain programs under federal Clean Water Act and Clean Air Act regulations for the Morongo Band of Mission Indians in Riverside County; Rincon Band of Luiseño Indians in San Diego County; and the La Jolla Band of Luiseño Indians in San Diego, Calif.

Tomorrow - Friday, April 13, 2018 – House Energy & Commerce Committee: The House Energy and Commerce Committee's environment panel will hold an April 13 hearing on "challenges and opportunities" related to high-octane fuels and fuel-efficient vehicles. The hearing comes as EPA is preparing to roll back Obama-era standards for vehicles' greenhouse gas emissions, and is also weighing the future of the renewable fuel system (RFS). https://energycommerce.house.gov/hearings/high-octane-fuels-high-efficiency-vehicles-challenges-opportunities/

Upcoming Congressional Meetings, Hearings, Intergovernmental Meetings and Events:

Wednesday, April 18, 2018 – Senate Environment and Public Works Committee: Will hold a hearing entitled, "The Appropriate Role of States and the Federal Government in Protecting Groundwater." More Information.

Thursday, April 19, 2018 and Friday, May 4, 2018 - Rep. Barbara Lee (D-CA-13): At the request of Chief of Staff Amy Miller, Brent Maier reached out to the Congresswoman's Oakland Office to set up two meetings, the 1st would be a meeting here at our Regional Office at 75 Hawthorne St. in San Francisco on Thursday, April 19th at 2:00pm – 3:00pm with Acting District Director Tatyana Kalinga and would include a presentation and full discussion on what EPA is doing on lead in Oakland, and would also include an update on Brownfield sites in Oakland. Deldi Reyes is taking the lead on organizing the discussion for this meeting. The 2nd meeting would be a follow up meeting in the Congresswoman's Oakland District Office that would focus on City of Oakland/Port of Oakland issues. This meeting would involve Acting Regional Administrator Alexis Strauss, Amy Miller, Richard Grow and Desean Garnett and will be taking place on Friday, May 4th at 3:30pm and will include Acting District Director Tatyana Kalinga and Field Representative Xavier Johnson.

Tuesday, April 24, 2018 – Special Election in Arizona's 8th Congressional District: The Special Election takes place to fill the 8th Congressional District seat vacated by former Rep. Trent Franks. Republican candidate Debbie Lesko will face-off against Democratic candidate Hiral Tipirneni.

Week of April 23, 2018 (Day/Time TBD) – House Appropriations Committee: FY2019 Budget Hearing with EPA. Witness: Administrator Scott Pruitt

Wednesday, April 25, 2018 – Senate Appropriations Committee: FY2019 Budget Hearing with EPA. Witness: Administrator Scott Pruitt

Thursday, April 26, 2018 – House Energy and Commerce Committee: FY2019 Budget Hearing with EPA. Witness: Administrator Scott Pruitt

Tuesday – Wednesday, May 1 – 2, 2018: Mayors Water Council Convenes May 1 – 2, 2018: EPA's Office of Water has been invited to participate in USCM's Mayors Water Council's Washington, DC meeting as member mayors convene to discuss a number of priorities. OIR is working with USCM and OW staff on the request. Broad discussion topics include: Water and Sewer Infrastructure Policies of Inclusion and Innovation; Water and Sewer Infrastructure Financing; Public Water Affordability and Integrated Planning; and, Regulatory Review. Assistant Administrator for Water Dave Ross has been invited to engage in dialogue with the mayors as they take the opportunity to familiarize him with their perspectives on such matters of interest as: WOTUS; Regions and Consent Decrees (stormwater); Water Reuse Guidance; Guidance on Financial Capability; Integrated Planning; and, the Lead and Copper Rule. AA Ross is unavailable,

and Andrew Sawyers, Director, Office of Wastewater Management, will appear in his stead. The Council has also invited OW leads for the MS4 Pilot Projects, and the WIFIA Program to appear with overviews, and engage in discussions. Mayor Jill Techel (Napa, CA), is Chair of the Council. Over thirty mayors from a cross-section of the country serve on the Council. AA Ross last addressed the Council on January 24, 2018 during USCM's Annual Winter Meeting in Washington, DC. He discussed EPA's priority programs WIFIA, SRFs, and those involving Integrated Stormwater Management Planning and he listened to member mayors about their concerns. OCIR Contact: M. Arnita Hannon Christmon